

### AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS ARE DEVELOPING LATENT TALENT.

Many Young Players Are Attaining Prominence in the Local Bilhard and Pool World-How the "Cincinnati Kid" Overcame Parental Objection to His Playing-Championship Pool Tournament at Philadelphia-Willie Hoppe Wins New York Tournament

From His Veteran Rivals.

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC. The interest which is being taken in the billiard and pool tournaments at the different billiard rooms indicates that there is much latent talent in the city, which has long been dormant, because it was not sufficiently encouraged. Never before were the prospects to bright for a good winter season with the cue and ball, and the fact that the season can open with three tourseason with the cue and ball, and the fact that the season can open with three tour-naments at as many different halls, and that each nightly draws good crowds, cer-that each nightly draws good crowds, and sup-

that the season can open with three tournaments at as many different halis, and
that each nightly draws good crowds, certainly promises a steady growth and support of the game locally.

A perusal of the Secres that appear each
day will reveal many names that were
heretofore unknown to the sporting public.
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Grand tourney.

Good pool players can be found in abundare at the downtown rooms this winter.

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that his eye is good in that respect also.

The Broadway is a popular resort for the poet players, and squads of the "future greats" may be seen in practice there nightly. Manager Benson is making arrangements to open a room on the floor directly above him, which will connect with the main room.

E. C. Mack, the "Cineinnati Kid," relates with many reminiscent smiles the trials through which he had to pass before he was allowed to perfect himself in the art of pocketing the balls. He tells the follow-

# FENCING HAS BECOME POPULAR WITH SOUTH SIDE



garded balk fine. Besides I took to bowling, and the combination proved my undolng. Now, when I occasionally get into a streak at balk line a trace of the old skill comes back, but my game is not what it used to be. The reason these shortstops like Sutton and Carter and the rest are able to play so well, is that they vary their billiards and keep in atroke for both games."

Expert pool players of the country will meet in a champlenship tournament for prizes aggregating \$50, to be held under the management of W. M. A. O'Brien in Philadelphia, beginning January 16, 192. The experts who are expected to play for the champlanship are Aifred De Oro, Sherman, Keogh, Clearwater, Edy, Horgan, Stofft, Levesque, Dougherty, Klein and Polytier.

George Slosson is in good form these days, says the Chicago Record-Herald, and is practicing assidnously, at the eighteen-inch game. He made a run of 38 the other day, and has shown averages of 29 and 25 points in 500-point practice games. "I am better than I ever was," says Slosson, "and they'll find out that I am not passe if I play in a match."

The phenomenal cue wielder Willie Hoppe, came out first in the balk-line tourney at Maurice Daly's needemy. New York, list week. If the lad continues to improve as he has for the last year he will soon have to be placed under heavy handleaps in order to get a match. In the opening game Hoppe was placed at 200, was pitted against. Orliz, playing 250. The youngster ran off this 200 wills Griz was ranking 861. The hoy averaged more than stx, and his best run was 44.

From the standpoint of the veterin hillard player, it was a sad mistake to allow the how the benefit of such handleaps as were already.

is owed his opponent only two games.

C. Hueston seems to be the newest "phenom" of the pool world, locally. Although a mere lad he has a wonderfully steady stroke, and his long distance shots are excellently executed. In position playing, which is of vital importance in pool, thueston is an artist, appearing to possess the knack of giving his cue just enough impetus and the right twist to bring his cue ball around to where he wants it. He does not resort to much combination playing, but withal some of his connected shots prove

MISSES ROSS AND MILLER, FENCING.



THE LADIES FENCING CLASS AT EXERCISE

Fencing is becoming extremely popular among the ladies of the South Side, and classes are being formed steadily for prac-tice in the art. Women are recognizing that it is an exercise which tends to increase their grace and general health, and classes in the turnvereins of the city are

stendily increasing. One of the largest classes in the city to conducted by Professor August Muegge at his gymnasium, and he states that it has proved a great success as a means of exerelse for his lady patrons. Not only do young ladies enter the class for the sake of the development which it brings, but mid-dle-aged women are also among the pupils, the practice serving as a healthful form of

In the class the ladies all wear suits e blue flannel, composed of blouse and bloomers, the latter baggy and loose, so as not to restrain the movements of the weare Rubber-soled shoes are worn, and the usu fencing paraphernalia is adopted to pre-clude the chance of any accident. Foils are carefully studded with rubber

buttons at the tips and masks and glove are worn to prevent any bruises on the face or hands. Drill with the foils precedes the fencing bouts, the entire class going slimultaneously.

Some of the middle-aged women have be-come the most expert fencers in the class, and the exercise is most beneficial for reing to the testimony of several in the chis Fencing brings out a healthy perspirati convenience by its means.

city among the female classes are Mise Ross and Miller, who have both practic hard for the last winter and have foun themselves much benefited thereby. The two young ladies are the subjects of of the above photographs.

### ATHLETIC WOMEN THIS YEAR FIND UNUSUAL ATTRACTION IN BOWLING.



IN THE TENPIN WORLD.

SOCIAL MATCHES OF THE WEEK.

Pioneer Rowling Club. Lanman occupied the center of the stage, and finished with an average of over 187. Vichr's average of over 187. Vichr's average of over 187. Vichr's average of over 188 league scores. Ameling and Phillips (fed for third-place honors, with 175 averages. Stort, made a bad beginning, but his final seems of 271 honored his average to 171 Johaningsusyr beoated his average almost 25 pints in the last game. Brimmer had an audience and pulled out 185 average. Everify was indisposed, aniening in the amateur class. Brotherly leve was responsible for O. Kebker and E. Keisher finishing together in the rot. Scores;

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Independent Bowling Club.

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Entre-Nous Club. The Entre-Nous Rowling Club had its weekly meet at the St. Louis Bowling Association Monday evening. An elegant collation was served, and all present had a pleisant time. Mesers, Benj. Lutsewitte and Heilkamp were the star performers. Misees Mary Robbe and Cecilia Larkewitte carried off the honors among the ladies. These present were:

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Labs Lucies.

George Lauman, William Schlutca, A. Heltkaup Frank Moeuster, Den Herper,

New York judged. Mr. Guthrie is now was one of the oldest bird dog trainers in America. Many St. Louis sportsmen had been his patrons.

Mr. C. B. Cooke, secretary of the Inter-state Field-Trial Association, made his first attack on the qualis Friday. He took an outing in Illinois with same of his crack

Mr. J. E. Bright took his new setter, Count Specse, up to Old Monroe Friday. Count is litter brother to the famous Dock Hick.

R. B. Morgan, the well-known "Dick," bert Taylor will give personal attention, have been opened near Mr. Taylor's coun-

Charles A. Robinson has no Sport's Gath now, but he shoots over Gath's full sister and two other Liewellyns.

DOCTOR COOK Cures Men who are suffering from ex-

cesses, indiscretions, nervous debility and all diseases of men. He . . .

To the man whose manhood is impaired by vices, dissipations, indiscretions or excesses—to the man whose vitality is assailed as a result of worry and hard work—to the man whose blood is tainted with contracted diseases in any stage—to all unfortunate men—my heart goes out in sympathy. To them my hand is extended with an offer of help. To their relief and cure my whole life has been devoted.

A Quarter.Century's Cures.

For over 25 years—more than a quarter century—I have been curing the diseases, the weakness the sufferings of men. In all that time I have never accepted a case that I did not cure, when my instructions were followed out. In all, I have cured more than 31,000 men. I have given free advice and consultation to some 15,000 mer.

For years I studied day and night, thinking, experimenting, testing my ideas. I tried new remedies, new methods, And I triumphed. I proved that my system was correct in practice, and in theory, I cured cases that had been given un as lost. I made strong, robust men out of wasted syrocks of men, mere nonentities, whose lives had ceased to be of use. Others have tried to imitate my methods, but have folled—they have not understood their basis—they have not STUDIED diseases of men as I have. Young men, middle-aged men, old men, I want to give you the benefit of my experience. Come to me.

Let Me Be Your Friend

Let me cure you. I can and will. Do not let pride stand in your way. I shall guard your secret as my own, and before long I will make you a MAN without a secret care of any kind.



## I CURE ALL DISEASES AND WEAKNESSES OF MEN.

If you are reaping the consequences of wild catts sown in your youth; if you are suffering from the results of indiscretions, abuses or excesses; if your blood and system are tainted with any contracted discussed in overwork or worry have undermined your health; if you are troubled with any private disease, come to me. I will care you. Let me bring back the springs and leaves it pure and untainted as before the care you. I will savely drive and a weakening, wasting of the male system. My method of treatment as you. I will so will savely drive and a weakening, wasting of the male system. My method of treatment as you. I will savely drive and a weakening, wasting of the male system. My method of treatment as you. I will savely drive and a weakening, wasting of the swiftly and savely drive the unfortunate to despair, insanity or an early grave.

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ed your health; if you are troubled with any private disease, come to me. I will cure you.

I Cure Wasting Weakness.

You cannot hide the marks of indiscretions and excesses—the complex and blotches, the dim and falling vision, the furtive eye, the weak back, bashfulness and aversion to seelety. More dangerous still are the decaying weakness, nightly

Step, which proclaim a healthy, manly man and which surely follow my treatment.

I Cure Contracted Private Diseases.

My cure for contracted blood and private disease, a dragging sensation and feeling of utter uselessness and incapacity. My system soon relieves this and vigor. In cases of ure-three eye, the weak back, bashfulness are copper-colored spots, tumors and uiccessful in removing them without pain, of the mouth and softening of the gums. Often there are pains in the muscles of disease, come at once and I will cure you.

Among the athletically inclined women or Bi. Looks society flowing is this season the sport which holds high place. Pashions of the place of the attractions of the altery swith acerd and zest. When the weather will no longer permit of exercise upon the golf links all femilians society will turn its attention, to the attractions of the altery swith acerd and zest. When the weather will not longer permit of exercise upon the golf links all femilians society will turn its attention to the early-scane practic, the male excellent and official and all official points and all official and all official points and all official points and all official points are all official points. The company of the military state of the early-scane practic, the nearly-scane practic, th